Congress of the United States Mashington, DC 20515

July 27, 2021

Dr. Mark Emmert President National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) 700 W. Washington Street Indianapolis, IN 46026

Dear President Emmert:

Over the next year the American people will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Title IX. This landmark legislation enacted in 1972 prohibits sex-based discrimination in any school or other education program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance. Nevertheless, we are perplexed as to why in 2021 it is necessary that we write you to express our concerns about recent events that demonstrate the inequities women in intercollegiate athletics continue to face.

The public, media and Congress were appalled to hear of the stark differences in the accommodations, facilities, meals and COVID-19 testing provided teams participating in this year's NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Basketball Championships in Indianapolis and San Antonio respectively. Since then, we have begun to learn of more pervasive systemic inequities in the way the NCAA governs, manages, funds, markets, sells, and even accounts for the revenues from the two championships.

In response to the growing public uproar, you issued an apology for the disparities between the conditions in Indianapolis and San Antonio and announced the NCAA would conduct an external review of these issues by Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP, now referred to as the Kaplan report. We understand the results of the Kaplan report will be completed and distributed in late July. We request the NCAA share with the public and Congress the Kaplan report in its entirety and discuss with Congress how the NCAA, the NCAA national office leadership, and NCAA member institutions plan to rectify these inequities and the system that continues to allow them to occur.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

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